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VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni Chief Clerk/Administrator South Carolina Public Service Commission 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE:

Docket No. 2006-99-C

Petition of Bluffton Telephone Company and Hargray Telephone Company

To Implement Extended Area Service (EAS)

Dear Mr Terreni:

On behalf of Bluffton Telephone Company, Inc., an original and two copies of the accompanying General Customer Services Tariff material are being sent to you for filing in compliance with the rules and regulations governing the filing of tariffs in South Carolina.

The proposed revisions are filed pursuant to South Carolina Public Service Commission Order No. 2007-346 in Docket No. 2006-99-C to implement Extended Area Service (EAS).

The proposed effective date of January 1, 2008 is consistent with the Bluffton Telephone Company, Inc. schedule to provision EAS.

If you should have any questions regarding this Notice of Filing, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

John Becci

Staff Director - Regulatory Affairs

on behalf of

Amy Gilchrist Director, Regulatory and Carrier Relations Bluffton Telephone Company, Inc.

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S3.1 General

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- a. Local exchange service rates in this tariff are identified with the Bluffton Telephone Co., Inc. of Bluffton, South Carolina.
- b. Base Rate Area is as follows:

The Base Rate Area of the Bluffton Exchange is Bluffton and Sun City Hilton Head.

c. Extended Area Service (EAS)

Extended Area Service (EAS) expands local calling areas to include all of the following exchanges in addition to the Base Rate Areas identified in S3.1.b preceding:

Beaufort, SC Hardeeville, SC Hilton Head Island, SC Laurel Bay, SC Pooler, GA Ridgeland, SC Savannah, GA St. Helena, SC Tybee Island, GA

EAS is implemented pursuant to South Carolina Public Service Commission Order No. 2007-346.

d. The rates for service and equipment not specifically shown in this section are presented in other sections of this tariff.

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S3.2	Monthly Exchange Rates				(T) ((M)
	A. Monthly exchange rates as authorized by the Public Service Commission South Carolina are shown below:					
	S3.2.1 Flat Rate Service (Touch Tone Rates are included in below Rates)			low Rates)	(T)	
		I	Business	Monthly Rates		
			Single Line EAS	$$28.70$ $\frac{4.50}{$33.20}$	(N) (N)	
			Key Trunks EAS	\$28.70 <u>4.50</u> \$33.20	(N) (N)	
			PBX Trunks EAS	\$28.70 <u>4.50</u> \$33.20	(N) (N)	
			Paystation EAS	\$28.70 <u>4.50</u> \$33.20	(N) (N)	
		Ĭ	Residence			
			Single Line EAS	\$14.35 <u>2.25</u> \$16.60	(N) (N)	
			Church- One Party EAS	\$14.35 	(N)	

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S3.6 Directory Assistance Service (Continued)

- d. Any PBX type customers who require real-time notification of charges
- e. Calls from tandems where the end user cannot be identified
- f. Calls from the Company and COCOT Coin Stations

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S3.6.8 Application of Charges and Exemptions

The charges specified in S3.6.9 following will be applicable to all subscribers.

S3.6.9 Rates and Charges

Directory Assistance Call Completion Charge

Charge per Completed Call

Rate \$0.30

S3.6.10 <u>Directory Assistance/Directory Assistance Call Completion Service</u>

Description of Service

- a. Directory Assistance/Directory Assistance Call Completion (DA/DACC) provides the subscribing customer a Company local exchange subscriber telephone number and local call completion to the number provided, if requested.
- b. DA/DACC is for use by Mobile Service Providers (MSP) only, except as limited in Section S3.6.12 following.
- c. DA/DACC is provisioned via a dedicated application specific interconnect trunk connecting the MSP's Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO) and the Company location where DA/DACC is provided.

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- d. DA/DACC is available only where billing and network capability exists.
- e. Individual message detail is not included as a part of this service.

S3.6.11 General Regulations

The service is furnished subject to all applicable regulations in Section 2 of this Tariff.

S3.6.12 Limitations of Service

The Service is not available for the following classes of service call categories:

a. Alternately Billed Calls: e.g., Collect, Calling Card or Billed to Third Number

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S3.6.13 Rates and Charges

DA/DACC Charge

Per local exchange subscriber telephone number requested

Rate

\$0.45

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